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Dear Friends,

The Town Hall meeting is an honored tradition of our representative form of government. Please join me in carrying on this uniquely American political tradition by attending one of my upcoming Town Hall meetings.

In the first three months of this year the House of Representatives has passed a number of important bills. The "Social Security and Medicare Lockbox Act of 2001" (H.R. 2) that locked away the entire \$2.9 trillion surplus from the Social Security and Medicare trust funds was one of the first bills to pass this session. We have also passed the Budget resolution and tax cut legislation.

On the Agriculture Committee we continue to work on legislation to protect American borders from devastating invasive pests and diseases that threaten public health and American agriculture, such as Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Citrus Canker and other destructive invasive species.

Please join me for the Town Hall meeting in your area. I am eager to bring you up to date on these important issues and to hear your concerns.

Sincerely,

Adam H. Putnam Member of Congress



Congressman Adam Putnam meets in his Washington office with teacher Bill Farmer and students from Walker Memorial Academy of Avon Park to discuss education legislation before the 107th Congress.

Contact Congressman Putnam:

If you can't attend the Town Hall meeting in your community or if I may be of service in any other way please call or visit one of my offices.

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Congressman Adam Putnam's 2001 Congressional Update & Town Hall Meeting Schedule

April 2001						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8	9 6:30 p.m. LAKELAND Town Hall Rogers Auditorium Florida Southern College 800 block of McDonald St.	6:30 p.m. VALRICO Town Hall Farm Bureau Bldg. 100 Mulrennan Rd.	6:00 p.m. LAKE ALFRED Town Hall U of F - IFAS Citrus Research & Education Center Ben Hill Griffin Hall, Rm. 1 700 Experiment Station Rd.	6:30 p.m. WAUCHULA Town Hall County Commission Chambers Hardee County Administration Bldg. 412 W. Orange St.	13	14
15	6:30 p.m. PLANT CITY Town Hall Plant City City Hall City Commission Chambers 302 West Reynolds St.	6:30 p.m. WINTER HAVEN Town Hall City Commission Chambers Winter Haven City Hall 451 3rd Street NW	6:00 p.m. DADE CITY Town Hall Dade City City Hall City Commission Chambers 38020 Meridian Ave.	5:30 p.m. LAKE WALES Town Hall Lake Wales Depot Museum and Cultural Center 325 South Scenic Highway	20	21

Benefits of the Tax Relief Proposal

- · Replace the current five-rate structure with four lower rates: 10, 15, 25 and 33% rates
- · Phase out the "Death Tax" to help small business and family farms
- · Eliminate the marriage tax penalty
- · Increase the per-child tax credit from \$500 to \$1000
- · 1 in 5 taxpaying families with children will no longer pay any income tax at all.
- · A family of four making \$35,000 would receive a 100% federal income tax reduction
- · A family of four making \$50,000 a year would receive a 50% tax reduction putting at least \$1,600 back into the family budget
- · A family of four making \$75,000 a year would receive a 25% tax reduction.

Protecting Social Security

I am committed to protecting Social Security, not just for the next fiscal year, but for the next 50 years. The House Committee on the Budget, of which I am a Member, recently accepted my report language on Social Security which highlights this challenge. Here is a summary of that report.

For the first time in the history of Social Security, significant populations from five generations of Americans have a claim on program benefits. As the Baby Boom Generation begins to retire the ratio of workers to beneficiaries will continue to decrease, eventually reaching a level of only 2 workers for each recipient by approximately 2030. Under current estimates, Social Security outlays will begin exceeding receipts into the Social Security Trust Fund as early as 2013. It is the sense of Congress that Congress has an obligation to act before the cash flow into the system turns negative — to put the Social Security system on a more economically and actuarially sound basis. As your Congressman, I will be working to make sure that Social Security is solvent and relevant for present and future beneficiaries.